MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*): There is no contradiction in the Financial Secretary's statements referred to by the member.

The first statement, *viz.*, "I do not deny the fact that there is still trade depression.....The trade boom which followed on the Armistice was succeeded by a period of acute trade depression and the collapse of several business concerns" was made in Karkatakam 1098, when presenting the budget of 1099. It dealt with the conditions prevailing up to the close of 1098. In the same paragraph of the speech, the following statement also occurs. "There seems, however, to have been a partial improvement of trade conditions this year" (*i. e.*, 1098).

The second statement, *viz.*, "The disturbance to trade and production will also affect our receipts under all the other main heads of revenue", occurs in the budget speech of 1099. It refers only to the effect of the floods of that year on trade. There is no reference in it to "Depression of Trade".

The third statement, *viz.*, "This was due to the dislocation of trade and business", occurs in the budget speech of 1100 in the passage dealing with the realised revenue of 1099. Here also the reference is to "Dislocation of trade and business on account of floods". By "Depression of trade" is meant that the general condition of trade, as a whole, is unsatisfactory. The expressions "Disturbance to trade" and "Dislocation of trade" mean that owing to certain specific causes there has been a temporary unsettlement in trade. Such dislocation may be temporary and may be confined to a particular area and it may occur even when trade is otherwise in a prosperous (not depressed) condition. When, in course of the general discussion of the budget of 1101, the Financial Secretary, in reply to the Member's question, stated that he had no positive information that there was depression of trade, he referred to the general condition of trade in the country as a whole.

Appointments made by Mr. R. Krishnaswami Aiyar.

153. **MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, caste by caste, of appointments, permanent, temporary and acting, made by Mr. R. Krishnaswami Aiyar, while acting as the Director of Public Instruction?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The statement* asked for by the Member is laid on the table.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): Of the Christians, may I know whether there is any Catholic among them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): That information has not been obtained.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): May I know why the table was so arranged as not to give the number of Catholics?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): That information has not been furnished. It will be called for.

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PRESIDENT : If the member asks information about the number of appointments made, caste by caste, then I must say that I am not aware of any caste among Christians.

Mortality among Cattle in Vaikam.

154. **MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are in a position to supply the figures for the last five years of buffaloes and cattle that died of epidemics in Vechur, Vadayar and other places in the Vaikam taluk?

(2) Has the Director of Agriculture or any other officer of the Government sent up any report to them on the appalling state of mortality among cattle in the taluk of Vaikam?

(3) Are not the Government aware that the cultivation of *kari* lands and other marshy places is impossible without a good supply of buffaloes?

(4) Are they aware of any extent of *kari* land at Vaikam left unregistered and intended for the rearing of buffaloes?

(5) Will they be pleased to make an immediate enquiry into the matter and find a speedy remedy against this constant danger to cultivation in the taluk?

MR. N. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government on other duty*):

(1) Government are not in a position to furnish the information, as there is no agency for the collection of these statistics.

(2) The answer is in the negative.

(3) Buffaloes are necessary for ploughing *kari* lands.

(4) In connection with the disposal of lands set apart as cattle *poramboke*s in the State, Government have ordered that an extent of 457·51 acres of land partaking of the nature of *kari* soils at Porakad, and comprised in Survey No. 417/1 D. of the Talayazham *pakuthi*, Vaikam taluk, should be reserved for growing *eera* grass for putting up bunds on *punja* lands, and to serve as pasture grounds for buffaloes. Government are not aware of any other land reserved as pasture ground for buffaloes.

(5) The matter will be enquired into.

Appointments in the Co-operative Department.

155. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to place on the table:

(*a*) a statement, caste by caste, of appointments, in the Department of Co-operative Societies; and

(*b*) a similar statement of appointments made or recommended up to the 30th Kanni, 1101, by the present Head of that Department since he took charge of its direction?

MR. N. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government on other duty*):

(*a*) and (*b*) The statements* required by the member are placed on the table.

* *Vide* Appendix VIII A and B—pages 504 and 505.

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Appendix VII.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 153.**

Statement of appointments made by the Ag. Director of Public Instruction from 19-1-1101 to 18-2-1101.

No	Name of person appointed.	Pay of the appointment. Rs.	Designation.	Nature of the appointment	Caste of the person appointed.
1	Kuttan Pillai	9 in the scale of Rs. 9-1/6-11	Peon, office of the D. P. I.	Permanent	Nayar.
2	Kuttan Pillai	9	Ag. do.	Acting	do.
3	M. Raman Pillai	9	Ag. do.	do.	do.
4	V. K. Thomas	25	Ag. teacher, Kanjirapalli E. M. S.	do.	Christian.
5	W. J. Thomas	25	Do. Kottarakara E. H. S.	do.	do.
6	Miss M. Kochachy	30	Do. E. M. S. for girls, Mavelikara	do.	do.
7	Miss T. J. Aleyamma	30	Do. Tiruvalla	do.	do.
8	K. P. Jacob	45	Ag. Headmaster do.	do.	do.
9	Miss E. C. Annamma	30	Ag. 1st Assistant do.	do.	do.
10	K. M. Udumon Mohideen Sahib	25	Arabic Munshi E. H. S., Shencotta	Permanent	Mahommedan.
11	A. Ponnamma	40 (40-5/2-50)	Teacher of Indian Music, E. H. S. for Girls, Trivandrum	do.	Nayar.
12	P. C. Gopala Varier	14	Teacher, Muttuchira V. M. S.	do.	Variar.
13	L. Ammalu Amma, 3rd Asst., Petta V. H. S (on Rs. 28)	45	Head Mistress (on probation for the year) Kalkulam V. M. S. for girls	On probation.	Gold smith.
14	Mrs. Anny Persis	28	Ag. 3rd Asst. Petta V. H. School for Girls	Acting	Christian.
15	P. Gopalan	25	Acting teacher, Chavara E. H. S.	do.	Ezhava.

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